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Gajapayana signals start of Dasara

Mysuru, Aug. 4 (MTY&BCT)- The grand Mysuru Dasara-2025 festivities, scheduled from Sept. 22 to Oct. 2, began this morning with the ceremonial 'Gajapayana' — the traditional march of caparisoned elephants — at Veeranahosahalli on the fringes of Nagarahole Tiger Reserve in Hunsur taluk.

The first batch of nine elephants, led by the iconic Golden Howdah-carrier Abhimanyu, was ceremonially flagged off during the auspicious *Tula Lagna (Abhijin Muhurta)* between 12.39 pm and 12.59 pm. Following the rituals, the elephants were loaded onto trucks for their journey to Mysuru.

A total of 14 elephants have been selected for this year's celebrations. As per tradition, the first batch comprises elephants assigned key roles — carrying the Golden Howdah, serving as reserve carriers and assisting as kumki elephants.

The first batch of nine elephants, led by Golden Howdah-carrier Abhimanyu, line up for puja rituals during Gajapayana at Veeranahosahalli Gate, Nagarahole Tiger Reserve in Hunsur this afternoon.

Ceremonial rituals

Rituals began at noon after all nine elephants were lined up in front of the decorated Veeranahosahalli Gate with priest S.V. Prahlad Rao performing traditional *Dwara Puja* (gate worship), washing the elephants' feet, applying turmeric, vermilion and sandalwood paste, adorning their foreheads with sacred markings and offering prayers to Goddess Chamundeshwari and Lord Ganesha.

In the absence of Mysuru District In-Charge Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa, Minister of Forest, Ecology and Environment Eshwar B. Khandre performed the ceremonial puja and offered floral tributes. The elephants were then treated to a festive spread of sugarcane, jaggery and seasonal fruits, followed by a symbolic *drishti* ritual to ward off evil.

(See GAJAPAYANA on page 6)

Dr. Mahadevappa credits Tipu for KRS Dam, stirs fresh row

Minister claims Tipu was known for religious tolerance; he ended *devadasi* practice

Srirangapatna, Aug. 4 (BCT)- Minister for Social Welfare Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa has sparked a fresh controversy with remarks lauding Tipu Sultan during a public event in Srirangapatna.

Mahadevappa

Speaking at the foundation-laying ceremony of the new Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Bhavan, the Minister claimed that Tipu Sultan was the first to lay the foundation stone for the Krishna Raja Sagar (KRS) Dam.

"Tipu Sultan laid the foundation for constructing the Kannambadi Katte. Historical records show that his foundation stone can still be seen at the main entrance of KRS Dam. Yet today, no one dares to speak of it," Dr. Mahadevappa said.

His comments came on the death anniversary of Rajarshi Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar — a day traditionally dedicated to honouring the former Mysore ruler's legacy — drawing sharp criticism for appearing to diminish Nalwadi's contributions while praising Tipu.

Highlighting Tipu's religious tolerance, the Minister added, "There is a Temple right next to the Mosque built by Tipu. On one side, you hear the prayers from the Mosque and on the other, the ringing of Temple bells. Tipu listened to both with equanimity. That's why daily rituals and worship continued uninterrupted at the Temple beside the Mosque."

Dr. Mahadevappa also credited Tipu Sultan with abolishing the *devadasi* system, calling it a revolutionary step for its time.

(See MAHADEVAPPA on page 6)

Twisting history for votes is unacceptable: MP Yaduveer

'If one wishes to speak on historical matters, one must first show proof'

Mysuru, Aug. 4 (BCT)- Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar, who is also the scion of the erstwhile Mysore Royal Family, has slammed Social Welfare Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa's claim that Tipu Sultan laid the foundation stone for the Krishna Raja Sagar (KRS) Dam, calling the statement "laughable" and a blatant distortion of history.

"This is part of a deliberate attempt to twist facts for electoral gain," Yaduveer said. "There is absolutely no evidence that Tipu Sultan laid the foundation for the KRS Dam. Everyone knows who built the Dam. Teachers and historians can provide accurate information on this. I have never come across such a claim before."

Yaduveer

Pointing to documented history, Yaduveer said four major wars were fought during Tipu Sultan's reign and several Temples were damaged during that period. "Despite this, rituals continued at Sri Ranganathaswamy and Nanjangud Srikanteshwara Temples. These are well-established historical facts," he noted.

(See YADUVEER on page 6)

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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Monday 4th August 2025

Head Board of Mysore Amity Round Table-156 installed

The installation of the new Head Board of Mysore Amity Round Table-156 was held at Windflower Resort in city on July 27 for the tabling year 2025-26. Seen in the picture are *(sitting from left)* ***Tr. Suraj Upadya (Treasurer), Tr. Nishank Kaparthy (Secretary), Tr. Pradeep Kashyap (Chairman), Tr. Kumarpal Jain (Area 13 Chairman), Tr. Daksh Doulatram (Immediate Past Chairman) and B.S. Prashanth (Honorary Tabler);*** *(standing from left)* ***LMF Tr. Manu Bharath, LMF Tr. Asheem Abraham, LMF Tr. Mithun Kumar, LMF Tr. Tejas Tholasi, Tr. A.S. Cariappa, LMF Tr. Suraj R. Krishnam and Tr. Darshan.***

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

FINDING JOY IN LIFE'S TEMPORARY JOURNEY: ***Once a monk, looking for a place to rest after a long day's travel, walked into the king's palace. Upon his arrival, the guards at the main entrance opened the gates and never questioned him. The monk asked the king for a room to stay at his inn. The king corrected him that his palace was no inn. He owned the palace as he was the king himself. The traveler replied that he often took the same route and had met different kings seated on the same throne earlier. When the owner of a place changes frequently it can no longer be called a residence. The king deduced monk's words and bowed down in humility. We all live in this impermanence where nothing is guaranteed.***

A Buddhist saying, "Everything is temporary. Emotions, thoughts, people and scenery. Do not become attached, just flow with it" conveys nothing is permanent except the change. After years of shifting cities, moving bags from Officers Mess to a smaller arrangement and later to a bigger accommodation, our journey in Air Force has been a memorable one etched with some beautiful associations at each station. While the first home was temporary, the next was called a permanent accommodation. Some short meant living throughout in a small room and a kitchen. Change was our new constant and we were happy. The excitement of setting up the house at each new place would be something we all looked forward to. With change of place every two years, one permanent address was required for any major or steady correspondences. Parents' home was the default permanent address.

Recently, on the day of his superannuation, my husband faced the ubiquitous question at every gathering, "Where are you likely to settle down permanently?" With age, the word 'permanent' sounded different now. It felt heavy yet fragile. When nothing in this planet is permanent and all here on a temporary visa, where does the word 'permanent' fit? With our clocks ticking and no pauses or promises, we need to prioritise life and cherish the moments with people and places creating an album of memories that guarantees joy within.

The words *Memento mori* ***meaning 'remember you have to die' in Latin is a reminder that we mortals have limited time and need to live it wisely.***

— Priya Anand in Deccan Herald

NEWS SPARKLERS

Tomb with 1,000-year-old remains found

Lima: Utility workers excavating trenches to expand underground gas networks in Peru's capital unearthed two pre-Incan tombs. One was empty, but the other held the 1,000-year-old remains of an individual, alongside four clay vessels and three pumpkin shell artifacts.

Over more than two decades of excavation work to expand the underground network, Cálidda, the company that distributes natural gas in Lima, says it has made more than 2,200 discoveries.

According to archaeologist José Aliaga, the vessels' iconography and their black, white and red colors "allow us to establish a connection with the pre-Incan Chancay culture,' which is approximately 1,000 to 1,470 years old."

Radioactive wasp nest found in South Carolina

Aiken: Workers at a site near Aiken in South Carolina that once made key parts for nuclear bombs in the U.S. have found a radioactive wasp nest but officials said there is no danger to anyone.

Employees who routinely check radiation levels at the Savannah River Site near Aiken found a wasp nest on a post near tanks where liquid nuclear waste is stored on July 3, according to a report.

The nest had a radiation level 10 times what is allowed by federal regulations, officials said. The workers sprayed the nest with insect killer, removed it and disposed of it as radioactive waste. No wasps were found, officials said.

The report said there is no leak from the waste tanks, and the nest was likely radioactive through what it called "onsite legacy radioactive contamination" from the residual radioactivity left from when the site was fully operational.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Angiograms Are Safe & Quick

A coronary angiogram is a 15-20 minutes procedure that reveals blockages and guides treatment. It's safe, fast and often lifesaving.

By Dr. C. B. Keshavamurthy –
Senior Consultant – Interventional Cardiology
Manipal Hospitals, Mysore

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LIFE'S ON

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ODP invites applications for Agri Clinic, Agri Training

Mysuru, Aug. 4 (BS)- The Organisation for the Development of People (ODP) will be providing free entrepreneurship training in setting up Agri Clinic and Agri Business for the diploma holders and graduates in agriculture and related courses and post-graduates in Horticulture, Sericulture, Veterinary Sciences, Animal Husbandry, Fisheries, Home or Community Science, Bio-technology, Agri Engineering, Forest, Food Technology, Nutrition and Food Style.

Those candidates in the age group of 18 to 60 years may apply for training. It is intended to provide a platform to establish own industry, in association with the Union Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, National Board for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) and National Institute of Agricultural Extension Management.

ODP has identified itself as a Nodal training centre and provides free training and accommodation facility. Experienced resource persons will be providing training for 45 days.

Interested individuals willing to set up their own industry would be provided network support for a period of one year. Loan up to Rs. 20 lakh will be given to establish the industry and a subsidy of 3 % will be provided to women and 44% for SC, ST candidates.

For details contact ODP on Ph: 0821-2494195, Jayaramu on Mob: 79750-18683 or Melvin Clement on Mob: 84960-32932.

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Last year's level **123.20 feet**	Last year's level **2,281.33 feet**	Last year's level **2,854.77 feet**
Yesterday's level **122.35 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,282.25 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,855.61 feet**
Today's Inflow **13,402 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **9,956 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **4,050 cusecs**
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TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 87.50
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 116.28
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 23.82
1 Euro	= Rs. 101.29

VOICE OF THE READER

Strengthen Police force to control crime

Sir,

Mysuru, with its unique urban-rural ambience, has for long been celebrated as a city of culture and arts — a compact, quiet paradise for senior citizens.

It is now shocking to learn that it has turned into a haven for drug trafficking, supplying even to Maharashtra and Gujarat *(Drugs worth Rs. 390 crore seized during raid in city,* ***SOM*** *dated July 29)*.

Some time ago, *SOM* reported the disturbing sight of beer and liquor bottles strewn along the steps leading to Chamundi Hill after drinking sessions. Our city is increasingly witnessing unhealthy activities and crimes, a far cry from its once-pristine image.

The drug menace may only be one among other clandestine crimes quietly flourishing here.

It is high time our Police force is strengthened and specialised standing units are formed to curb crime, restoring Mysuru not just as a clean city, but also as a truly safe city.

—H.R. Bapu Satyanarayana
Saraswathipuram
30.7.2025

20th Annual Get-Together
of Jayalakshmi Kodava Association

Seen are *(sitting from left)* ***Managing Committee Members Chonira Cariappa, Pattada Jaikumar, Muckatira A. Somaiah (Treasurer), Jammada Ganesh Ayanna (Hon. Secretary), Ballyanda P. Uthappa (President), Pandiyanda U. Girish (Vice-President), Alamengada Shanti Vittal, Kodira Jyothi Poonacha and Pandiyanda Anil Cariappa;*** *(standing from left)* ***Kallichanda Aiyanna, Kanjithanda Jayaprakash, Biddanda Beba Ganapathy, Biddanda Myna Ganapathy, Thathanda Nishi Poonacha, Machanda Reshma, Mallangada Shwetha Jayaprakash, Codanda Chitra Medappa, Muruvanda Indu Ganapathy, Bachira Lava Poovaiah, Ajjinikanda Manish Pemmaiah and Kayapanda Vinai.***

Mysuru, Aug. 4- The twenti-eth annual get-together of Jayalakshmi Kodava Association, Mysuru, was held recently at Kodagu Sahakara Sangha in Jayalakshmipuram.

The function started with an invocation by Kodira Jyothi Poonacha. Association President Ballyanda Uthappa welcomed and presided.

Condolences were offered to five of the departed members during the last one year. New members of the Association self introduced themselves to the gathering.

The previous year's team will continue to function as Committee for 2025-2026, headed by Ballyanda P. Uthappa as President, Pandiyanda Girish as Vice-President, Jammada Ganesh Ayanna as Secretary, Muckatira A. Somaiah as Treasurer, with about 15 Committee Members.

President Ballyanda Uthappa addressed the gathering on various issues for the betterment of the Association and requested members to take active part through their attendance.

Three senior members were honoured — Anjaparavanda Kunjappa, Retd., IGP; Kandarthanda Sunny Muthappa and Kodira Poonacha.

Committee Member Pattada Jaikumar was also honoured for his excellent work in collecting, compiling and computerising the entire membership data, address and telephone numbers on area basis.

Mallangada Devanshi Jayaprakash, a budding youngster, was recognised for her achievements in Rifle Shooting.

Treasurer Muckatira Somaiah presented the accounts for the year 2024-2025.

Mallangada Swetha Jayaprakash compered. Muruvanda Indu Ganapathy organised various games. Two writers and authors of the Association Dr. Mallengada Latha Muthanna and Chonira Geetha Cariappa, displayed their books for the benefit of the members.

Jammada Ganesh Ayanna, Hon. Secretary of the Association, in his capacity as the Treasurer of Kodavaame Baalo Nadp, spoke in detail about the recently conducted historic walk, from Kutta to Madikeri, *Kodavaame Baalo Nadp* from Feb. 2 to 7, 2025.

Vice-President Pandiyanda U. Girish proposed the vote of thanks.

Prof. Rohitha Eswer delivers talk on Dance, Music in Hoysala sculptures

Mysuru, Aug. 4 (BS)- A special lecture organised jointly by Dr. Vijayalakshmi Basavaraj Charitable Society and the All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH) was held at the Seminar Hall, Knowledge Park, AIISH in the city on Aug.2.

On this occasion, Prof. Rohitha Eswer from the Department of Ancient History, Archaeology and Museology, Maharaja's College, delivered an engaging lecture on the topic "Dance and Music Reflected in Hoysala Sculptures."

Prof. Eswer, an expert in Bharatanatyam and Kathak, elaborated on the Hoysala dynasty's sculpture and its cultural significance, which flourished between the 11th and 14th centuries.

Dance Sculptures

The madanikas (celestial maidens) of Chennakeshava Temple, Belur, are exquisite examples of Hoysala dance sculptures, beautifully reflecting the poses and gestures (karanas and mudras) described in the Natya Shastra.

Skill of Depicting Motion

The Hoysala sculptors were masters at capturing movement, expressions and the rhythm of dance in stone, creating an illusion of life and fluidity that is rarely found.

Representation of Music

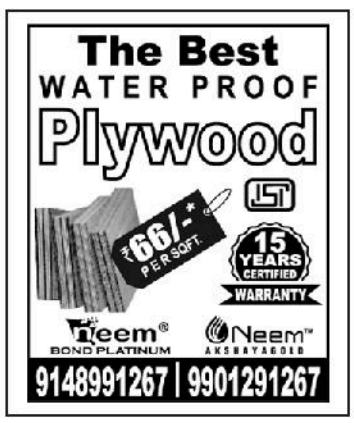
Sculptures depict figures playing instruments like veena, mridanga, flute, conch and cymbals. In some carvings, dancers are accompanied by singers and instrumentalists, reflecting the group dance and music performances offered in temple rituals of that era.

Cultural Significance

Hoysala sculptures are not merely decorative, they are living records of the religious, historical and artistic life of their period, as highlighted in the lecture.

As part of the Public Lecture Series, Prof. M. Pushpavathi, Director of AIISH, delivered the welcome address and remembered Dr. Vijayalakshmi Basavaraj, the former Director of the Institute.

Prominent theatre personalities of Mysuru such as Prof. H.S. Umesh, Rameshwari Varma, Indira Nair, Rathna Mirle, Prof. Rangaraju, Niranthara's Directors Srinivasa Palahalli and Kemparaju, Prof. K.C. Basavaraju, journalists Onkar, Ravish, Dhananjay, along with members of Dr. Vijayalakshmi Basavaraj's family were present.



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NEWS BRIEFS

Free Urology camp at Suyog

A free Urology camp has been organised at Suyog Hospital in Ramakrishnanagar in city from Aug. 4 to 9. This camp will be led by Urologist Dr. Abhijith. Those who have problems such as pain while urinating, blood in urine, high protein excretion in urine, kidney stones, Urinary Tract Infections (UTI), etc., may register their names and benefit from the camp. A 30 percent discount will be provided on tests prescribed by specialised doctors. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2533600 or Mob: 99863-99862.

Workshop on writing, elocution

A workshop on writing short stories, novels and newspaper articles has been organised under the aegis of Genius M.M. Coaching Centre located near Akshay Bhandar in Kuvempunagar on Aug. 10. The workshop will also feature training on elocution, compeering, moderating etc., Resource person B.S. Vinay will lead the training session on elocution, while *Mysuru Mithra* columnist G.L. Tripurantaka will lead the training session on writing newspaper articles, Swami Ponnachi will share his experiences on short story writing and writer Kusuma Ayarahalli will speak about novel writing. For registration and details, contact Mob: 96866-77284, according to a press release.

Dasara 2025

Roopa, Hemavathi to debut; Srikanta replaces Harsha

By M.T. Yogesh Kumar

FROM LEFT: *Roopa from Bheemanakatte, Hemavathi from Dubare & Srikanta from Mathigodu Elephant Camp.*

Mysuru, Aug. 4- It is now confirmed that this year's grand Dasara festivities will once again be led by the iconic Golden Howdah-bearer, Captain Abhimanyu.

The line-up introduces two new female elephants — Roopa and Hemavathi — who will be joining the team for the first time, adding a fresh dimension to the celebrations steeped in tradition.

The squad has witnessed a last-minute change. Harsha, one of the male elephants slated for participation, has shown signs of musth — a natural but aggressive hormonal phase in bulls — prompting the Forest Department to replace him with the experienced elephant Srikanta.

14 elephants for 'Jumboo Savari'

As per long-standing tradition, 14 elephants have been selected for the world-famous Dasara procession, including 10 male and 4 female elephants. These elephants are arriving in two batches — nine in the first and five in the second.

The first batch has already been announced and the elephants will reach Mysuru today.

The second batch list that will be announced soon includes 49-year-old Roopa from Bheemanakatte and 11-year-old Hemavathi from Dubare — both participating in Dasara festivities for the very first time.

Originally, the second batch was to feature three male elephants from Dubare — Sugreeva, Gopi and Harsha. But with Harsha entering musth over the past two days, Forest Department officials, wary of the risks that Palace conditions and rich diets might intensify his aggressive behaviour, have opted to exclude him from this year's festivities.

Srikanta: A stalwart replacement

Taking Harsha's place is Srikanta, a 55-year-old elephant currently housed at Mathigodu Elephant Camp. Captured on Feb. 18, 2014, from the Shanivarsanthe range in Hassan division, Srikanta was named in honour of the late scion of the erstwhile Mysore Royal Family, Srikantadatta Narasimharaja Wadiyar.

A formidable presence, Srikanta stands 2.79 meters tall, measures 3.71 meters in length and weighs 4,650 kilograms. Known for his role in tiger and wild elephant capture operations, he is regarded as dependable and courageous. His care rests in the hands of Mahouts K. Omkar and J.R. Radhakrishna.

Hemavathi: The youngest participant

At just 11 years old, Hemavathi is the youngest elephant in this year's Dasara line-up. Originally from Sakrebailu camp and shifted to Dubare three years ago, she is a well-loved member of the camp herd.

Selecting female elephants for Dasara is often challenging since many are either pregnant or nursing calves; most give birth once every four years. Against this backdrop, Hemavathi's inclusion is significant — and reminiscent of Lakshmi from Bandipur, who made her debut at 17.

Roopa: From circus to celebration

Roopa, aged 49, will also make her Dasara debut this year. Rescued from Gemini Circus in 2015, she was first rehabilitated at Dodda Harave camp before moving to Bheemanakatte.

Roopa's fellow rescue elephant, Lakshmi from Dodda Harave, has already participated in three consecutive Dasara festivities, and now it is Roopa's turn to step into the limelight and grace the cultural extravaganza.

Arrest of nuns in Chhattisgarh: Catholic community takes out protest in Mysuru

Mysuru, Aug. 4 (KS)- Condemning the arrest of two nuns illegally at Durg in Chhattisgarh, Catholic community from Mysuru, Mandya and Chamarajanagar took out a silent protest march in city yesterday morning.

Over 1,000 community members, assembled near Infant Jesus Cathedral on Hunsur Road and took out the silent protest march by tying black cloth around their mouth. The silent march was launched by Vicar General of Mandya Rev. Msgr. Thomas Thennatil.

The protest march went up to Hinkal Ring Road Junction and returned to the Cathedral. Signatures were collected on a 10-metre banner, which will be sent to the Chhattisgarh Government.

Msgr. Thennatil emphasised that though the nuns have been released on bail, they should be exempted fully from the case and the minority should be protected as per the provisions of the Constitution of India.

Fr. Sojan Aikarakunnel MST and Fr. Augustin Paiampally CMI also spoke on the occasion.

Earlier, Suhas Wilson Kakkassery welcomed the gathering. Sanju Thomas, Joy Chitilapally, Sunil Jose, Anil Jose and others took part in the protest.

Catholic Association Mysuru condemns arrest

Meanwhile, the Catholic Association Mysuru has also condemned the arrest of two nuns.

In a press release, the Association stated that Sister Preetha Mary and Sister Vandana Francis, Members of Assisi Sisters of Mary Immaculate, were detained at Durg Railway Station on July 26 on baseless and fake allegations.

Stating that these charges, widely denounced by religious leaders and civil society, represent a disturbing pattern of harassment against minority communities, the Association demanded the release of the two nuns immediately, initiate an independent inquiry and protection for religious workers.

Plea to roll back hike in Zoo entrance fee

Mysuru, Aug. 4 (MK&KS)- Mysuru Hotel Owners Association President C. Narayanagowda has objected the hike in the Mysuru Zoo entrance ticket price.

Narayanagowda

Pointing out that the revenue obtained from entrance tickets was already sufficient to take care of the expenses, Narayanagowda said that it is not right to hike the entrance fee suddenly.

He said that before increasing the price of the entrance ticket, the Zoo authorities should have released the income and expenditure statement.

Stating that the State Government must encourage for the growth of tourism, Narayanagowda said that it is not at all right to increase the ticket price to get more revenue.

"The entrance fee of Mysore Palace and KRS has been increased eight months back and has been fetching good revenue since then. Hence, the Zoo Authority of Karnataka (ZAK) should immediately roll back the hike in Zoo entrance tickets," he added.

Obituary

Subbamma

Nanjangud, Aug. 4- Subbamma (83), a resident of R.P. Road, passed away yesterday in the town.

She leaves behind three grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at Devarasanahalli village today, according to family sources.

Upa Lokayukta directs quick disposal of public grievances

Upa Lokayukta Justice K.N. Phaneendra during a meeting at Abdul Nazir Sab auditorium in Mysuru Zilla Panchayat premises recently.

Mysuru, Aug. 4 (SPN&BS)- Upa Lokayukta Justice K.N. Phaneendra has instructed the Deputy Commissioners (DCs) and Zilla Panchayat (ZP) Chief Executive Officers (CEOs) of respective districts, to speedily dispose of the complaints received at Lokayukta offices by calling meeting every month.

Suggesting the officers to take steps to swiftly respond to public grievances, after the conclusion of a meeting convened to receive and dispose of the public grievances at Abdul Nazir Sab auditorium at Mysuru ZP recently, Justice K.N. Phaneendra specified that, if the complainant is made aware of the pros and cons related to his query, the haggardly visits to Lokayukta office can be avoided.

Justice Phaneendra warned of recommending the Government against withdrawing all the perks like promotion and annual hike, enjoyed by the officers, once a case is registered against them for being lax in addressing the public grievances.

"Prepare a taluk-wise list of cases registered at Lokayukta offices and convene a meeting under Deputy Commissioner and ZP CEO every month at a taluk and try to find out solutions under the guidance of senior officers. The Government officers must understand the difficulties being faced by rural residents, who otherwise may feel dejected about prevailing system," said Justice Phaneendra.

In Mysuru district, a total of 335 cases had been registered and were in the stage of hearing. The cases were taken up in three days of the visit, in the presence of the complainants and 135 of the total cases have been disposed, in coordination with over 400 officers and staff. The remaining cases have been postponed for the next scheduled date, added Justice Phaneendra.

Earlier, Justice Phaneendra warned a complainant named Manjunath Prasanna, of facing action under false charges, for failing to provide adequate documents in support of the charges levelled by him over the tender of Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) awarded by the office of Assistant Executive Engineer (AEE), Rural Drinking Water and Sanitation Department, Mysuru district.

On the other hand, Justice Phaneendra warned the officers to be ready to face the probe, as the complainant in this particular case is legally entitled to seek any required information. The officers can't escape by providing lame excuses. The complaints related to drinking water and hygiene should be considered seriously, Justice Phaneendra said.

While nine complaints related to Hinkal, Kadakola, Hootagalli and other places were addressed, some were postponed to the next date.

Former Jharkhand CM Shibu Soren dies at 81

Jharkhand, Aug. 4- Shibu Soren, Rajya Sabha MP, former Union Minister, Jharkhand Chief Minister and one of the Founders of the Jharkhand Mukti Morcha (JMM), passed away this morning. He was 81.

Shibu Soren

He had been under treatment at Delhi's Sir Ganga Ram Hospital for over a month and his condition had turned critical over the past few days.

He is survived by wife Roopi Soren, three sons and daughter Anjani, who is the party's Odisha unit head. His elder son Durga Soren died in May 2009. The other son Hemant Soren has carried forward the family's political legacy and currently serves as the Chief Minister of Jharkhand, having held the position across multiple terms. His youngest son Basant Soren is a Legislator.

Soren's son and Jharkhand CM Hemant Soren shared the news of his father's death on X. "Beloved Dishom Guruji has left us. I lost everything today," he said.

According to Dr. A.K. Bhalla, Chairman of the Nephrology Department of Sir Ganga Ram Hospital, "Shibu Soren was suffering from kidney ailments, and had suffered a stroke a month and a half back. He was on life support for the last one month. He was declared dead at 8.56 am."

Born on January 11, 1944, in Ramgarh district's Nemra village (then in Bihar, now in Jharkhand), Soren was popularly known as 'Dishom Guru' (leader of the land) and patriarch of JMM.

Over a four-decade career in politics, Soren was elected to the Lok Sabha eight times and served as a Rajya Sabha MP for two terms, the second ongoing.

Belonging to the Santhal community, Shibu Soren tied up with Leftist trade union leader AK Roy and Kurmi Mahato leader Binod Bihari Mahato to form the Jharkhand Mukti Morcha in 1972. Soren went on to become a key face of the Statehood movement, which led to the formation of Jharkhand in 2000.

The Jharkhand Government has declared three-day State mourning in honour of former CM Shibu Soren and also cancelled all its scheduled programmes during the period, a statement said. Meanwhile, Rajya Sabha was adjourned for the day in honour of the late MP.

State Health Minister Irfan Ansari has announced that Soren's body will be brought to Ranchi around 4 pm today. It will then be taken to his residence in the Morabadi area before being moved to the Jharkhand Assembly at 11 am on Tuesday. After this, it will be transported to his native place, Nemra, in the Ramgarh district for the last rites.

Drug racket busted in city

ABVP activists, students urge to root out the racket

Mysuru, Aug. 4 (MTY&BS)- Various college students, under the banner of Akhil Bharatiya Vidyarthi Parishad (ABVP), staged a protest in front of old Deputy Commissioner's office in city on July 30, demanding a tougher action to root out the drug racket, by taking a serious view into the case of recent busting of drug manufacturing unit at a shed inside vehicle garage, on the service lane of Outer Ring Road (ORR) near Belavatta in city.

They demanded the authorities concerned to probe deeper into the role of whoever is involved in the drug manufacturing unit in the city.

Several youngsters have become victims of substance abuse, with the racketeers targeting college students.

It is a matter of grave concern that the Cultural Capital Mysuru has been turned into a huge source of manufacturing drugs, which was earlier going on unabated in big cities like Bengaluru and Mangaluru.

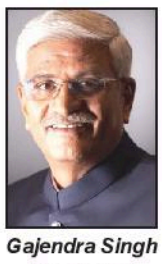
Ironically, such an activity went unnoticed by the Mysuru City Police, that holds a mirror to their failure.

The Home Minister himself has admitted to the failure of the State Police in unearthing the drug unit, that came to fore in a follow up raids conducted by the Maharashtra Police.

On the other hand, a close associate of an influential Cabinet Minister of the State Government was arrested recently on the charges of selling and supplying of drugs, the protesters said.

'Chamundi Hill among Temples getting good Central funds'

New Delhi, Aug. 4 (DM)- Union Minister for Tourism Gajendra Singh Shekhawat said that the Centre has released hundreds of crores of rupees for development of historic temples in Karnataka, including the famed Chamundeshwari Hill Temple of Mysuru.



Gajendra Singh Shekhawat

Replying to a question by Uttara Kannada MP Vishweshwar Hegde Kageri in the Lok Sabha on Thursday, Gajendra Singh Shekhawat said, though temples and tourist spots come under the purview of the State Governments, the Centre has released hundreds of crores of rupees for infrastructure development at temples and tourist spots in Karnataka, under a special package.

Pointing out that the Union Tourism Ministry has released hundreds of crores of rupees under Swadesh Darshan, Swadesh Darshan 2.0 and CBDD (Challenge based Destination Development) — a sub-scheme of Swadesh Darshan 2.0 and PRASHAD (Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual,Heritage Augmentation Drive), Shekhawat said that Rs. 45.38 crore was released under PRASHAD to Mysuru's Chamundeshwari Hill Temple in 2023-24 for pilgrim facilities, Rs. 2.71 crore under Swadesh Darshan 2.0, for formation of Tonga ride Heritage Zone in Mysuru city and Rs. 18.48 crore under Swadesh Darshan 2.0 for creation of an Ecological Zone in Mysuru city.

The Minister further said that under PRASHAD, Rs. 18.37 crore has been released for development of Saundatti Yellamma Temple in Belagavi district, Rs. 22.25 crore for Papnash Temple in Bidar district, Rs. 25.63 crore for Hampi Historical Site and ancient city in Vijayanagar district under Swadesh Darshan 2.0 and Rs. 99.17 crore for establishment of a cultural hub in The Roerich and Devikarani Estate, Tataguni in Bengaluru and Rs. 100 crore for Saundatti Yellamma Temple under a Special Investment Plan.

Gajapayana begins

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Large crowd, cultural show

Thousands of people thronged the venue to witness the momentous occasion, with tourists from cities like Bengaluru arriving in large numbers. However, as the crowd was barred from entering the Veeranahosahalli Gate, local villagers and forest-dwelling tribals expressed anger at being denied the chance to witness the once-a-year spectacle.

The procession, accompanied by vibrant folk troupes, covered a 1.5-km stretch from Veeranahosahalli Gate to the designated venue near Nagapura Haadi. Then the elephants were transported by trucks to Mysuru and housed at Aranya Bhavan.

On Thursday, Aug. 7, the elephant team will be accorded a traditional welcome by the Mysuru District Administration at Jayamarthanda Gate of Mysore Palace between 12:06 pm and 12.30 pm in the auspicious *Tula Lagna*. The elephants and their caretakers will be housed in the Palace premises.

As part of the *Gajapayana*, a special stage programme was held near Nagapura Haadi where Minister Khandre released the list of elephants participating in Dasara and unveiled a commemorative booklet.

The Forest Department has arranged meals for 5,000 people. The road from Veeranahosahalli Gate to the event venue was beautifully decorated with green arches and traditional festoons, adding to the festive atmosphere.

The stage programme featured vibrant cultural presentations, including tribal children's performances, Tibetan dance and other folk and traditional art forms, showcasing the rich cultural diversity of the region.

Minister for Animal Husbandry K. Venkatesh, MLAs G.D. Harish Gowda, D. Ravishankar, Deputy Commissioner G. Lakshmikanth Reddy, ZP CEO Yukesh Kumar, Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force) Meenakshi Negi, Southern Range IGP Dr. M.B. Boralingaiah, Superintendent of Police N. Vishnuvardhana and others were present.

FIRST BATCH OF ELEPHANTS

Abhimanyu (59)	:	Lead elephant, Mathigodu Elephant Camp
Bhima (25)	:	Mathigodu
Kanjan (24)	:	Dubare
Dhananjaya (44)	:	Dubare
Prashantha (53)	:	Dubare
Mahendra (42)	:	Balle
Ekalavya (40)	:	Doddaharave
Kaveri (45)	:	Female, Dubare
Lakshmi (53)	:	Female, Balle (Doddaharave)

From the pages of history...

Gajapayana, once an elaborate and regal affair, has today become a symbolic event. In earlier times, elephants, along with mahouts, kavadis and their families, would undertake an arduous 80 to 100-kilometre journey on foot from the forest camps to Mysuru.

Now, the tradition is observed by a brief ceremonial march, after which the elephants are transported by trucks.

The origins of *Gajapayana* trace back to the reign of Sri Jayachamaraja Wadiyar. During this era, members of the Mysore Royal Family, including the King and his courtiers, would perform pujas to the tuskers at Maasthi Gudi, also known as Maasthamma Temple, near Antharasanthe in H.D. Kote taluk.

The journey was festive and vibrant — traditional band sets and tribal instruments announced the commencement of Dasara festivities, while people along the route offered jaggery, fruits and sweets to the marching elephants.

This grand tradition faded after the abolition of the Privy Purse, when the Royal Family lost its administrative authority and became titular heads.

The ceremony was revived in 2001 under the Chief Ministership of S.M. Krishna, with Mysurean A.H. Vishwanath serving as Mysuru District Minister. From Veeranahosahalli Gate, the *Gajapayana* has since been observed every year, continuing to link modern festivities with Mysuru's royal past.

Dr. Mahadevappa credits Tipu for KRS Dam

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"Tipu Sultan ended the devadasi practice, which exploited marginalised women and forced them into servitude. The credit for abolishing it in that era belongs to Tipu," Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa asserted, adding, "Those who are unaware of history cannot shape it."

Calling Tipu one of India's greatest freedom fighters, Dr. Mahadevappa said, "He fought fiercely against the British and never ceded even an inch of land to the enemy. Yet, many who fail to understand this legacy continue to criticise the freedom struggle."

The Minister further highlighted Tipu's contributions to India's economy and culture, noting, "Tipu introduced sericulture to India, laying the foundation for silk production here. The Royal Palace of Mysore was also originally located in Srirangapatna."

Twisting history for votes is unacceptable: MP Yaduveer

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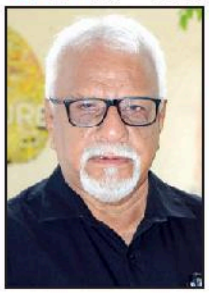
Accusing political leaders of misusing history to sway voters, Yaduveer said: "Such statements are made purely to appeal to the electorate. Twisting history for votes is unacceptable."

While acknowledging Tipu Sultan's contributions to the silk industry, Yaduveer warned against ignoring darker chapters. "One good deed cannot erase a hundred wrongs. Many innocent people — including pregnant women and members of the Iyengar community — were killed during Tipu's rule, and thousands of Hindus were converted. These facts cannot be ignored," he said.

Urging political leaders to refrain from making baseless historical claims, Yaduveer added, "History must not be used for political gain. Presenting history requires credible sources and evidence. If one wishes to speak on historical matters, one must first show proof. Distorting history for electoral advantage is unacceptable."

'Tipu's link to KRS Dam far-fetched'

"What Dr. Mahadevappa stated is partially documented — there is indeed an inscription suggesting that Tipu Sultan had plans to build a dam. However, to claim that he laid the foundation stone for the present KRS Dam is far-fetched. The Dam as we know it today was conceived and constructed under the patronage of Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar in the early 20th century. While Tipu may have envisioned water works, directly linking him to KRS disregards the documented engineering and administrative contributions of the Mysore royal family."



— Prof. N.S. Rangaraju, Retired Professor, Dept. of Ancient History and Archaeology, University of Mysore

Folk and light music event in city tomorrow

Mysuru, Aug.4 (MTY&TRR)-City-based Jana Chaitanya Foundation is organising a folk and light music programme titled *'O Nanna Chetana, Aagu Nee Aniketana'* at Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha on JLB Road in the city tomorrow from 4.30 pm.

Addressing a press conference in the city yesterday, Foundation President R. Lakshman said the musical programme will be inaugurated by Joint Director of Kannada and Culture Department V.N. Mallikarjunaswamy.

President of District Sugama Sangeetha Parishat Dr. Nagaraj V. Bairy will preside.

Tribal leader and *Padma Shri* awardee Somanna will be felicitated. Senior journalist Amshi Prasanna Kumar, Asst. Director of Kannada and Culture Department Dr. M.D. Sudarshan, Social Worker K. Raghuram Vajpayee, District President of Kannada Sahitya Parishat Maddikere Gopal and others will also participate.

Folk Singer Amma Ramachandra, Joyce Vaishak, Pushpalatha Shivakumar, Y.M. Nagendra, H.S. Raviraj, Sowmya Prakash and others will present folk and light music songs.

Fire at Kesare Zero Waste Unit damages Rs. 90-lakh machine

Residents fume over toxic smoke, foul smell

Mysuru, Aug. 4 (MK&KS)- A fire that broke out at the Zero Waste Management Unit in Kesare early this morning partially destroyed a segregation machine worth Rs. 90 lakh, causing severe inconvenience to nearby residents.

The blaze, spotted between 4.30 am and 5 am, was immediately reported to the Bannimantap Fire Station.

Fire and Emergency Services personnel rushed to the spot with fire tenders and managed to bring the flames under control after an hour-long operation, preventing the fire from spreading further. The exact cause of the fire is yet to be ascertained.

MCC Health Officer Dr. N.P. Venkatesh, Assistant Executive Engineer (AEE) Madhukar and Environmental Engineer Sridevi visited the site but were gheraoed by agitated residents of Hale Kesare, who demanded urgent measures to curb the foul stench emanating from the unit and to prevent future accidents.

Toxic smoke adds to residents' woes

Residents also raised health concerns over plastic and rubber-coated copper wires being openly burnt at nearby Rajivnagar 3rd Stage. They alleged that scrap collectors and rag pickers bring discarded electric wires in autorickshaws, set them on fire in open spaces to extract copper and sell it to scrap dealers.

Thick black toxic smoke from these fires, they said, has led to respiratory problems, with several residents already falling ill. Open spaces in Rajivnagar 3rd Stage and along the Varuna Canal have reportedly turned into garbage dumping yards, with frequent fires during summer adding to public hardship.

Hale Kesare residents have urged authorities to take immediate action to prevent garbage dumping and open burning in the area for the safety and well-being of the public.

KSRTC Unions to launch indefinite strike from tomorrow

Chief Minister holds talks with Road Transport Unions

Bengaluru, Aug. 4 (KMS&DM)- With the State Road Transport Unions declaring an indefinite strike from tomorrow (Aug. 5) across the State, seeking fulfilment of their demands, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah is holding a meeting with Union leaders on finding a solution.

Siddaramaiah first held a meeting with the Joint Action Committee of KSRTC Worker Unions at Vidhana Soudha this noon, which was attended by Transport Minister Ramalinga Reddy and top officials of Transport Department.

Following the meeting, the CM is scheduled to hold another meeting with the Federation of State Road Transport Trade Unions later this afternoon, in a bid to convince the Transport Unions on calling off the strike that is set to begin from 6 am tomorrow.

The demands of the Federation include wage revision as per the 2023 agreement, payment of pending wages and withdrawal of cases registered against the operating staff, among others.

Meanwhile, KSRTC Managing Director Akram Pasha said that as per the Karnataka Essential Services Maintenance Act, 2013, a law that prohibits strikes in essential services within the State to ensure public safety and order, the KSRTC Unions cannot call a strike. He maintained that disciplinary action will be taken against the staff and wages and allowances will be cut if they go ahead with the strike and disrupt public transport services.

In another development, the State Government is said to be planning to engage 11,000 private buses for public transport if the Unions launch the strike, despite the Government's warning.

The Transport Department officials have already held their first round of talks with private bus owners in this regard, it is learnt.

Nalwadi's visionary legacy deserves festival-scale honour: Raghu Kautilya

Mysuru, Aug. 4 (BLU&BCT)- BJP OBC Morcha State President R. Raghu Kautilya has urged that the birth anniversary of Rajarshi Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar be celebrated as a festival by the people of Mysuru, honouring the Maharaja's unparalleled contributions to the city's growth and heritage.

Speaking at a memorial event organised by the Karnataka Rajya Vokkaliga Vikasa Vedike at Madhuvana — Nalwadi's resting place on Nanjangud Road — Raghu offered floral tributes at the Maharaja's Brindavana before addressing the gathering.

"It is because of Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar's visionary development that Mysuru earned a place on the world map," he said, urging elected representatives and officials to commemorate the day as a cultural festival for Mysureans.

Raghu stressed that no Government today could match the scale of development works undertaken during Nalwadi's reign. "At the very least, the traditional buildings he constructed must be preserved and protected," he added.

Recalling Mahatma Gandhi's admiration for the Mysore ruler — who famously conferred the title Rajarshi on Nalwadi after witnessing the State's remarkable progress — Raghu described remembering such a noble figure as "a deeply meaningful act."

He also paid tribute to voices that championed Mysuru's heritage, notably late Dr. K.B. Ganapathy, Founder-Editor of *Star of Mysore* and *Mysuru Mithra,* who passionately advocated for preserving the city's legacy.

"These structures are not just architectural marvels — they are symbols of Mysuru's cultural legacy. We must follow in the footsteps of such visionaries to protect them," Raghu emphasised.

Deputy Director of Mysore Palace Board T.S. Subrahmanya, former Mayor Modamani, Kannada Sahitya Kalakoota President M. Chandrashekhar, Arasu Mandali Sangha President Kemparaje Urs, JD(S) leaders H.K. Ramu and Gangadhar, and Karnataka Rajya Vokkaliga Vikasa Vedike State President H.L. Yamuna were present.

Special discount offer at World of Silver

Mysuru, Aug. 4- World of Silver, located on D. Devaraj Urs Road, which is known for its wide range of silver jewellery and silver articles, is offering a unique blend of tradition, craftsmanship, competitive pricing and attractive discounts.

At present, the store is offering Rs. 10,000 discount per kg on silver purchases and special additional discounts on purchases above Rs. 1,00,000. The store is also offering a flat 20% off on silver frames and silver jewellery

The store showcases everything from Italian and antique silver jewellery to less-withering silver articles, catering to diverse tastes and preferences. World of Silver is also popular for its customised gifting solutions, including silver photo frames and exclusive gift pieces perfect for festive and special occasions.

Whether it's for a wedding, a gift or a personal collection, World of Silver promises both style and substance, making luxury accessible for all silver lovers in Mysuru.

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I, **POONAM DIXIT SALECHA**, residing at #80, Divy Aashiyana. Century Park Layout, Nazarbad, Mysore-570010, have changed my name from **POONAM VAGATAVARAMAL PAREKH** to **POONAM DIXIT SALECHA** vide affidavit sworn before Notary L N RAJENDRAN, Mysore. Dated: 04-08-2025.

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BAI presents Pratibha Puraskar

The students, who were honoured with Pratibha Puraskar, are seen with (sitting) ***C.D. Krishna, Hon. Secretary, BAI Mysuru, Dr. B.T. Kavitha, Superintendent of Police, Chamarajanagar, V. Srinath, Chairman, BAI Mysuru, K. Subramanya Rao, Hon. Secretary, MBCT, N. Subramanya, State Chairman, BAI Karnataka and K.R. Prabhakara Rao, Chairman, WEMC Organising Committee;*** *(standing)* ***BAI Hon. Treasurer S. Vasudevan and BAI Joint Secretary S. Shashiraj, 'Spoorthi' President Kavitha Gururaj, Secretary Ramya Lokesh and WEMC Organising Committee Secretary M.D. Praveen Pal.***

Mysuru, Aug.4 - Builders' Association of India (BAI), Mysuru Centre, in association with Mysore Builders Charitable Trust (MBCT), had organised a programme at MBCT Auditorium in city recently to felicitate 28 meritorious children of the construction workers who scored more than 80% of marks in SSLC and 2nd PUC exams 2025.

On the same day, the valedictory of World Environment Month Celebrations (WEMC) was also held.

The programme commenced with invocation by BAI Member S. Umesh. V. Srinath, Chairman, BAI, Mysuru Centre, congratulated the all the meritorious children of construction workers and spoke elaborately about the tradition of felicitation by BAI to all of them. Further he gave a brief report about the activities of BAI and welcomed the dignitaries along with the gathering.

WEMC Organising Committee Chairman K.R. Prabhakara Rao briefed about the celebrations and thanked WEMC Organising Committee Secretary M.D. Praveen Pal, Coordinators and all sponsors for the successful completion of the celebrations.

K. Subramanya Rao, Hon. Secretary of MBCT, Mysuru, was the guest of honour. He requested the students to utilise the benefits provided to them and a special mention was made appreciating the efforts of the BAI Mysuru Centre in conducting many programmes to the students.

'Spoorthi' (the Ladies Wing of BAI Mysuru) President Kavitha Gururaj briefed about Spoorthi activities and encouraged the children to study well and score more marks in future to achieve their aim and announced special cash prize from 'Spoorthi' for first 3 topper girl students each in SSLC and 2nd PUC exams.

BAI Hon. Treasurer S. Vasudevan and BAI Joint Secretary S. Shashiraj read the citation of the 28 deserving children of the construction workers who have scored more than 80% of marks in SSLC and 2nd PUC.

The chief guest felicitated all the students with certificate, mementoes, note books, pens and cash prize. Spoorthi President Kavitha Gururaj announced special cash prize for 6 topper girl students in memory of late Madhavi Gurushanthappa, Past President of 'Spoorthi.'

Naganandhini, wife of late J.V.R. Naidhruva, contributed cash prize in memory of J.V.R. Naidhruva for first 2 topper boy students & S.R. Swamy, former State Chairman, BAI Karnataka, contributed cash prize for second 2 topper boy students. Mr. & Mrs. Ramprasad contributed the books called 'Life Skill Development' to all the students. K.R. Yoganarasimhan sponsored the bags to all students.

The chief guest, Dr. B.T. Kavitha, Superintendent of Police (SP), Chamarajanagar, spoke on how to gain and improve the knowledge. C.D. Krishna, Hon. Secretary, BAI, Mysuru, proposed a vote of thanks. The programme was compered by V. Gurudatt, EC Member, BAI Mysuru.

The 17 students who received Pratibha Puraskar for excelling in SSLC Exams 2025 are as follows: N. Tejas (son of Naga, Mason) - Govt. Adarsha Vidyalaya, Jockey Quarters - 614/625; T.S. Navyashree (daughter of T.N. Shashidhara, Electrician) - Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan School, Vijayanagar - 614; Umme Tameem (daughter of Rahmath Ulla, Painter) - Anusha Vidyashala, Ittigegud - 607; P. Shivananda (son of Puttaswamy, Mason) - Govt. Adarsha Vidyalaya, Jockey Quarters - 603; H.C. Pavan Kumar (son of H.S. Cheluvachar, Carpenter) - Puttaswamy High School, Kumbarakoppal - 594; B. Harini (son of P. Basavaraju, Mason) - Shree Royal High School, D. Salundi - 592; S. Vijay (son of A.R. Siddappaji, Mason) - Govt. High School, Yaraganahalli - 583; Ramya (daughter of Ravi, Mason) - Shree Royal High School, D. Salundi - 582; M. Girishankar (son of M. Mahadeva, Mason) - Govt. Adarsha Vidyalaya, Sosale, T. Narasipur - 580; M. Puneeth (son of P. Manju, Mason) - Leads High School, Gayathripuram - 577; B. Pooja (daughter of Basavaraju, Mason) - Govt. High School, DMG Halli, Yelwal - 574; N. Prajwal (son of B. Nataraj, Electrician) - Govt. Adarsha Vidyalaya, Jockey Quarters - 566; N. Shwetha (daughter of P. Chaya, Helper) - Shree Morarji Desai Residential School, Doddahundi - 530; Sanika (daughter of Chikkendra, Mason) - Shree Royal High School, D. Salundi - 528; M. Isha (daughter of Manju, Mason) - St. Francis School, Jettihundi - 527; D. Hanika (daughter of M. Devaraju, Electrician) - Maharshi Public School, Mysuru - 520; B. Divya (daughter of Basavaraju, Mason) - Shree Royal High School, D. Salundi - 509.

The 11 students who received Pratibha Puraskar for excelling in 2nd PUC Exams 2025 are as follows: S. Sathyasri (daughter of V. Srinivasa, Helper) - MMK & SDM Girls PU College, Mysuru - 579/600; G. Divya Lakshmi (daughter of N. Girish, Carpenter) - Sadvidya Composite PU College, Mysuru - 560; M. Inchara (daughter of M. Mahadeva, Mason) - Vidyodaya Girls PU College, T. Narasipur - 557; Rashmi (daughter of Mallesh, Bar Bender) - JSS PU College for Women, Saraswathipuram - 555; S. Ajay (son of A.R. Siddappaji, Mason) - Shree Adichunchanagiri PU College - 540; M. Hemavathi (daughter of Mahadevaswamy, Helper) - Govt. PU College, T. Narasipur - 526; S. Deekshitha (daughter of Kumar, Mason) - MMK&SDM Girls PU College - 524; S. Poornachandra (son of S.C. Shivanna, Mason) - Salette PU College - 521; M. Sahana (daughter of Manju, Mason) - Marimallappa's PU College - 514; N. Ishwarya (daughter of M. Nataraj, Mason) - JSS PU College for Women - 503; P. Gnanashree (daughter of Puttaswamy, Mason) - Govt. PU College, Kuvempunagar - 502.

Student Council Members of St. Joseph's Central School

Mysuru, Aug.4 - St. Joseph's Central School, Yelwal, conducted the Annual Investiture Ceremony at the School premises recently.

The Student Council Members include Prime Minister S. Rupak, Deputy Prime Minister Reepandi Lepcha, Sports Ministers K.M. Dheemanth and S.G. Vismitha; Discipline Ministers Roshan Immanuel and Samanvita Badarinarayana.

Kalam House Captain, Literary & Cultural Ministers: Samuel P. Dominic, Tashvi S. Sagar, Jerin Sojan & A.M. Saanchi Swaroop.

Teresa House Captain, Literary & Cultural Ministers: S.M. Harsha, Koyal M. Gowda, P. Jithin and Tanya Michelle.

Karnad House Captain, Literary & Cultural Ministers: H.Y. Akshy Gowda, Punyashree, P. Kishan and Kanishka P. Mourya.

Tagore House Captain, Literary & Cultural Ministers: T.M. Vaibhav, B. Nisarga, Morris Immanuel & Spandana.

MDES Secretary and Correspondent Rev. Fr. Edward William Saldanha was the chief guest. In his address, Rev. Fr. Edward William Saldanha reiterated the importance of good leaders and hoped that the young leaders of today would be responsible for steering the country tomorrow.

MDES Treasurer Rev. Fr. A. Naveen Kumar and CEO Seby Mavely were the guests of honour.

Principal Sylvia Albuquerque, Vice-Principal Gemma Christopher, Head Mistresses Mary Leena and Bina Shanthamaria; Heads of other sister Institutions were present on the occasion.

US Kids Golf World Championship - 2025

Kodagu girl Aida Thimmaiah finishes third

Aida Thimmaiah

Mysuru, Aug. 4 (VNS)- Kodagu's Aida Thimmaiah, a resident of Bengaluru, finished third in Girls 11 category at US Kids Golf World Championship - 2025 organised by US Kids Golf Foundation, which concluded at Pinehurst Village, North Carolina, on Aug. 2.

Competing in the Girls Age 11 category, Aida's journey was nothing short of extraordinary. After a challenging start on Day 1 with a score of +3, she stood in 27th position. Undeterred by the pressure, Aida staged a remarkable comeback on Day 2, shooting -4 and climbing an incredible 21 places to finish the day in 6th place.

On the final day, with grit and determination, Aida delivered her best round yet — a flawless -6, the lowest score of the day, propelling her into 3rd place overall among the world's best young golfers.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, Aida Thimmaiah, said, "It is an amazing and proud moment to represent India on a world stage. I feel very happy to have finished third in the world championship. I am very thankful to my coach Rahul Ganapathy at Golf Academy in Karnataka Golf Association (KGA), Bengaluru, my parents for their constant support and also my sponsors."

The US Kids World Championship is one of the most competitive platforms for junior golfers, bringing together the most talented young athletes from around the world.

Aida Thimmaiah is the daughter of Ballachanda Den Thimmaiah and Sanjana Thimmaiah couple. Den is a native of Virajpet in Kodagu, now settled in Bengaluru. While Den Thimmaiah is into land development, his wife is a wedding planner.

Medal winners in State-level Roller Skating Championship

Seen in the picture are** (from left) **V. Harshitha, M. Thridhaa, L. Mihal, M. Ronak and Aarav Kiran of Elite Roller Skating Academy, Mysuru.

Mysuru, Aug. 4- The following skaters from Elite Roller Skating Academy, Mysuru, have excelled in the State-level Roller Skating Ranking Championship organised by Karnataka Roller Skating Association (KRSA) across Mangaluru, Bengaluru and Belagavi from April to July:

Aarav Kiran - 2 gold medals and 3 silver medals at Mangaluru and Bengaluru; **M. Ronak** - 1 silver and 1 bronze at Bengaluru and Belagavi; **L. Mihal** - 1 gold, 1 silver and 2 bronze medals at Mangaluru and Bengaluru; **M. Thridhaa** - 2 gold and 1 bronze medal at Bengaluru and Belagavi; **V. Harshitha** - 2 gold, 2 silver and 1 bronze medal at Mangaluru, Bengaluru and Belagavi.

They were trained by Adithya S. Rao and M.G. Uma at Elite Roller Skating Academy in city.

3rd Ajith Memorial State-level Inter-School Karate Championship

Mahabodhi emerges overall champions

Karatekas of Mahabodhi School seen receiving the overall championship trophy during the valedictory event of 3rd Ajith Memorial State-level Inter-School Karate Championship-2025 organised by Mahabodhi School in city yesterday.

Mysuru, Aug. 4- Mahabodhi School in city hosted the 3rd Ajith Memorial State-level Inter-School Karate Championship-2025 at its premises yesterday. This event brought together young karatekas from across the State, uniting them in the true spirit of martial arts — discipline, courage, focus, and sportsmanship. The school also won the overall championship with karatekas performing exceedingly well in both kumite and kata competitions.

Earlier, the championship was inaugurated by Social Welfare and District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa. In his speech, he highlighted that karate was not merely about fighting, but a powerful self-defence mechanism that instils discipline, confidence and mental strength in students.

Students showcased impressive kata and kumite (fighting) performances in his presence, following which he distributed prizes to the winners after inaugurating the championship.

More than just a tournament, this championship is a heartfelt tribute to late Master Ajith, a beloved student of Mahabodhi School. Born on January 24, 1994, in the small village of Liktsey in Ladakh, Ajith joined Mahabodhi as a child and was known for his cheerful spirit, unwavering discipline and deep love for karate and sports. Sadly, on Aug. 23, 2008, Ajith passed away due to health complications.

The event was enriched spiritually by the presence of Venerable Bhikkhu Sobhana Bhanteji, Director of Mahabodhi Maitri Mandala, Mysuru and Venerable Bhikkhu Panya Bodhi Bhanteji, Assistant Monk Incharge of Mahabodhi.

Jikmet Wangdus Jyothi, Member of the Karnataka State Minority Commission and CEO of Mahabodhi Maitri Mandala, S.T. Javaregowda, DDPI of Mysuru, Basavaraju, BEO of South Zone Mysuru, Sensei Sudeep T. Cyriac, National Representative of JKS Shotojuku India, Sensei C.K. Vijayan, President of JKS Shotojuku India, Sensei S. Sunil Kumar, President of Mysuru Karate Association and Sensei Bharathi Anand, Secretary of Mysuru Karate Association were present on the occasion.

State Ranking Table Tennis tournament concludes

Mysuru, Aug. 4 (VNS)- The four-day State Ranking Table Tennis Tournament organised by Mysore District Table Tennis Association (MDTTA) at University of Mysore Gymnasium Hall concluded recently. Table Tennis players from across the State took part in the tournament.

RESULTS- ALL FINALS

U-15 Girls Singles

Tanishka Kapil Kalbhairav def. Raashi V Rao 6-11, 11-9, 11-9, 11-7.

U-15 Boys Singles

M. Tamoghna def. Reyanshjalan 8-11, 11-7, 15-13, 1-11, 11-8.

Hopes Boys

Arnav Mithun def. Sharvil Karambelkar 11-6, 13-11, 11-6

U-13 Girls Singles

Sakshya Santhosh def. Yuktha Harsha 7-11, 5-11, 11-9, 11-8, 11-7.

Hopes Girls

Sakshya Santhosh def. Saanvi Hariprasad Rao 11-7, 11-7, 11-5.

U-13 Boys Singles

Arnav Mithun def. Sharvil Karambelkar 11-6, 11-9, 11-13, 11-8.

Arnav Mithun and Sakshya Santhosh, who won the titles in the U-13 Boys and Girls category and Hopes Boys and Hopes Girls respectively are seen posing with their trophies and certificates.

WORD OF THE DAY

Egregious

Pronunciation: ih-GREE-juss (Adjective)
Meaning: Egregious is a formal word used to describe things that are conspicuously bad.
Origin: Some words originally used for animals that gather in flocks have been herded into use for people, too. The Latin word grex means "flock," "herd," or "group," and is the root of several English words, including gregarious, which originally meant "tending to live in a flock, herd, or community rather than alone" but has become a synonym for "sociable," and egregious. The Latin forebear of egregious, egregius, literally meant "out of the herd" but was used figuratively to mean "outstanding in one's field." Egregious entered English in the 16th century with that same, now-obsolete meaning, but over time gained a sense meaning "conspicuously bad" or "flagrant," possibly as a result of ironic use of its original sense.
Example: "When a cutting-edge A.I. misbehaves in a particularly egregious way, it can seem shocking. Our instinct is to anthropomorphize the system and ask, 'What kind of twisted mind would work like that?'" —Cal Newport, The New Yorker, 3 June 2025.

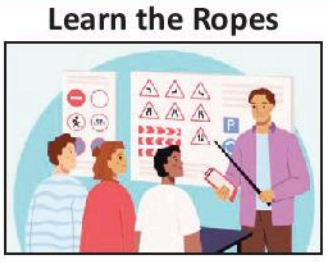
THE ODD WORD

Hugger-mugger

Disorder or confusion.

IDIOM OF THE DAY

Learn the Ropes



Meaning: Learn the ropes means to learn how to do something.
Origin: Not surprisingly, the origin of the idiom "learn the ropes" is nautical. Before the days of ships powered by steam or fossil fuel, almost all ships had sails. New recruits had to learn how to tie knots and manipulate the ropes that moved the sails to capture wind most effectively; this series of lessons was termed "learning the ropes."
Example: "Once I learn the ropes at my new job, I won't be so nervous and I'll be very good at the work I do."

QUOTE BOX

I have no methods; all I do is accept people as they are. **—Joan Rivers**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

BRE TH

Answer: A Little Out Of Breath.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Dark red resin
4 By which a fish swims and steers
7 The three of them
11 Spanish queen
12 Labour assn.
13 Financially very well off
14 Tormented
17 Subsides or abates
18 Keenness
20 Afloat
22 Rock plants
23 Howard Hughes studio
24 Stay on the water
27 Junior cleric
31 Warded off or repelled
33 Nettle
34 Grandmaster's rating
35 Org. of Petro. Exporting Counties
37 Narnia lion
39 Father of India's nuclear programme (4,6)
42 Bollywood's ___ Malini
43 Passing along
46 Russian sea
47 The German for 'east'
48 Poorly lit
49 Involving bloodshed
50 International racqueteer gp.?
51 ___ one's heart out : grieve continuously?

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

A	U	R	A	■	C	A	D	S	■	K	I	N
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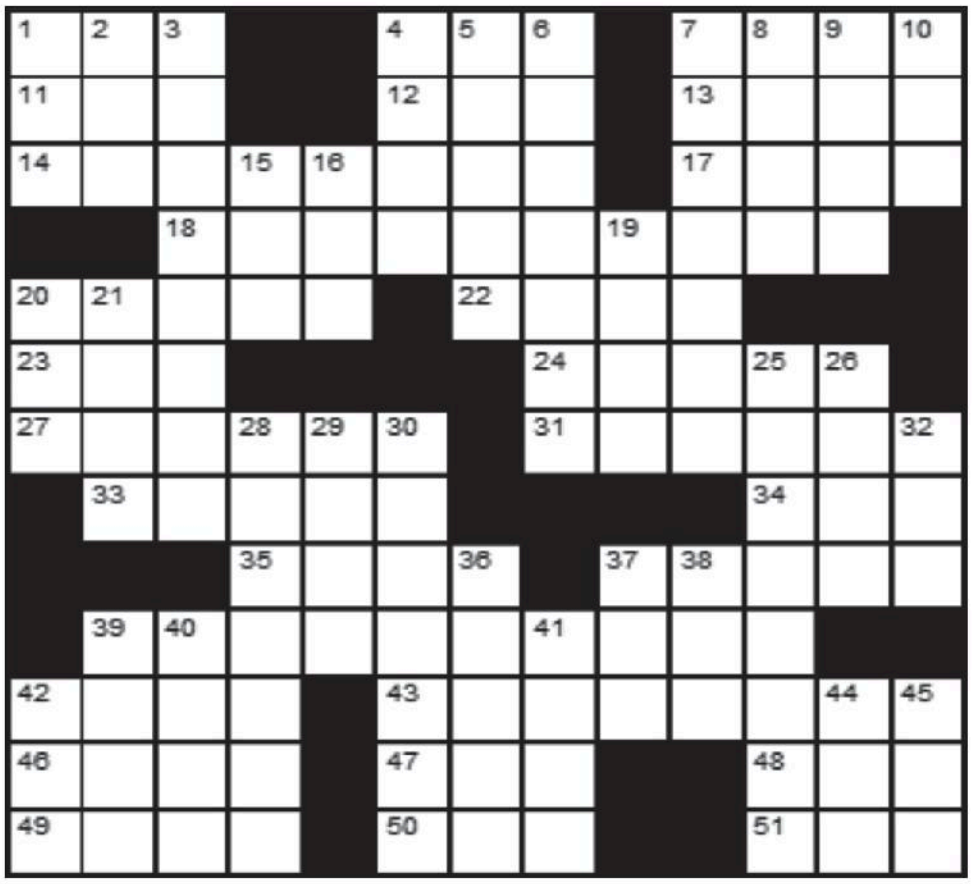
C	O	N	■	Y	S	E	R	■	I	B	E	X

DOWN

1 Town in Ladakh
2 Snippets of information
3 Showing signs of stress
4 Salmon or Pomfret?
5 Small intestine part
6 Falls asleep (4,3)
7 Capital crime
8 Bones of the body
9 Weapon in a silo, for short
10 Surprised reactions?
15 Black bird - "in a" change?
16 Short term mem.
19 Cruise stop
20 Pendulum's path
21 Predatory gull
25 South Australian capital
26 Weblike membrane - "late" anagram?
28 Irregularity, deviating from the standard
29 Local headgear ?
30 Facial feature?
32 Amitabh and Pran's action thriller
36 The front, upper part of the body
37 Arab sleeveless garment
38 Timid, bashful
39 Jackie Shroff's first film
40 Persian poet
41 Canadian province - "Lata" anagram?
42 Ugly old woman; witch
44 Actress ___ Peeples
45 Winter London time zone



SUDOKU

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	6		7		1		3	
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3			5	8		2		
	9	1				4	8	

Answer to previous puzzle

9	7	8	6	2	4	3	5	1
2	1	6	8	5	3	9	7	4
4	3	5	1	9	7	6	2	8
6	4	7	2	3	1	8	9	5
1	9	3	5	6	8	2	4	7
8	5	2	7	4	9	1	3	6
3	6	9	4	8	5	7	1	2
7	8	4	3	1	2	5	6	9
5	2	1	9	7	6	4	8	3

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

QAR YMSSEOJQZ KQVLOVQRK XJQAMEQ QAR JSWEUKR

MI QAR JOHJDJHEVU. QAR JSWEUKR HJRK VXVZ

XJQAMEQ QAR KZSWVQAZ MI QAR YMSSEOJQZ.

TODAY'S CLUE: Q EQUALS T

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: Everyone has a photographic memory. Some don't have film.

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Kingdom (Te)	(S-1)	4 pm, 10.10 pm
Dhadak 2 (H)	(S-2)	10 am, 7.10 pm
Kothalavadi (K)	(S-2)	4.15 pm
Saiyaara (H)	(S-2)	10.05 pm; (S-4) 1 pm
Son of Sardar 2 (H)	(S-3)	10.10 am, 7 pm, 10 pm
Ekka (K)	(S-3)	1.15 pm
Mahavatar Narsimha (K-3D)	(S-3	4.20 pm

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		4.05 pm, 6.10 pm
		6.55 pm, 9.45 pm
Ekka (K)	:	1.05 pm
Mahavatar Narsimha (K-3D)	:	1.10 pm
Son of Sardaar 2 (H)	:	3.45 pm, 6.40 pm
		9.30 pm
Kothalavadi (K)	:	3.55 pm

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		7.30 pm, 10.20 pm
Son of Sardaar 2 (H)	:	9.05 am, 12.15 pm, 3.25 pm
		6.35 pm, 9.45 pm
Saiyaara (H)	:	9.50 am, 1 pm, 7 pm, 10.10 pm
Kingdom (Te)	:	10 am, 4 pm, 9.30 pm
Mahavatar Narsimha (H-3D)	:	11.45 am, 10 pm
Mahavatar Narsimha (K-3D)	:	4.10 pm
Ekka (K)	:	12.35 pm, 7.15 pm
Dhadak 2 (H)	:	1 pm, 10.20 pm
The Bad Guys 2 (E-3D)	:	2.35 pm, 7.35 pm
Eltuu Muthaa (K)	:	3.40 pm
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Kothalavadi (K)	:	6.30 pm

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		4.30 pm, 7.20 pm, 10.10 pm
Son of Sardaar 2 (H)	:	10.15 am, 3.50 pm, 10.30 pm
Mahavatar Narsimha (K-3D)	:	10.45 am, 7.40 pm
Kingdom (Te)	:	12.40 pm, 7.05 pm
Vritta (K)	:	1.25 pm
Kothalavadi (K)	:	1.35 pm
Saiyaara (H)	:	3.55 pm, 10.20 pm
Ekka (K)	:	4.35 pm, 10 pm
Dhadak 2 (H)	:	7 pm

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Kingdom (Te)	:	9.30 am, 12.45 pm, 6.45 pm
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Son Of Sardaar 2 (H)	:	9.45 am, 12.55 pm, 4.10 pm, 10.10 pm
Ekka (K)	:	10.05 am, 7.05 pm
Su From So (K)	:	11.10 am, 2 pm, 4.50 pm, 7.40 pm, 10.30 pm
Saiyaara (H)	:	12.55 pm, 10.20 pm
Mahavatar Narsimha (K)	:	4 pm
Dhadak 2 (H)	:	4.05 pm, 10 pm
Kothalavadi (K)	:	7.20 pm

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		2 pm, 4.50 pm, 7.40 pm, 10.30 pm
Kingdom (Te)	:	9.50 am, 4 pm, 10 pm
Son of Sardaar 2 (H)	:	10.25 am, 12.55 pm, 7.10 pm, 10.20 pm
Thalaivan Thalaivii (Ta)	:	1.05 pm
Vritta (K)	:	1.35 pm
Ekka (K)	:	4.05 pm
Saiyaara (H)	:	4.05 pm
Mahavatar Narsimha (K-3D)	:	7.15 pm
Eltuu Muthaa (K)	:	7.20 pm
Sumathi Valavu (Ma)	:	10.10 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there is no minimum audience of 15.

Kuvempu University's syllabus to include Satish Javaregowda's poem

Mysuru, Aug. 4- The poem 'Belakigu Shokada Grahana' (The Eclipse of Sorrow for Light) by author, teacher and organiser **T. Satish Javaregowda** has been selected for the third-semester Kannada language textbook, 'Vijnana Sourabha' (Fragrance of Science), for the B.Sc degree at Kuvempu University.

T. Satish Javaregowda, who serves as a teacher at the Government Senior Primary School in Mellahalli, is active in literary pursuits as well as various pro-Kannada activities. He is the President of Spandana Cultural Parishat and Hon. Secretary of the Adamya Rangashale.

This poem will be taught as a part of the syllabus for B.Sc third-semester students in degree colleges under Kuvempu University from the 2025-2028 academic year. It is a noteworthy achievement that a primary school teacher's poem has been included in a University's degree curriculum.

In today's mechanised life, humanity has become self-centered and enslaved by materialistic pleasures. Moral values have been abandoned and the cries of burning pain are shocking. The rampage of evil people who ignite social harmony continues. This poem powerfully expresses these anxieties.

The poem also exposes critical issues such as the imbalance of nature, changes in seasons and the helpless lives of farmers. The poet has powerfully documented the way society, entangled in hardships, is being consumed by unending anxieties in the poem 'Belakigu Shokada Grahana.'

EVENTS TODAY (AUGUST 4)

- **Suttur Mutt, Mysuru Branch:** Shravana Masa Pujanushtana and Discourse Series, mass prayer, **6 pm to 6.30 pm;** Discourse on 'Shivatatva Chintamani' (written by Lakkanna Dandesha) by Dr. B.V. Vasanthkumar, Vaachana by Vid. K. Ramachandra, Suttur Mutt, foot of Chamundi Hill, **6.30 pm to 7.30 pm.**
- **Abhivruddi:** 'Silk India-2025' exhibition, Nanjaraja Bahaddur Choultry, Vinobha Road, **up to 8.30 pm.**
- **JSS Mysore Urban Haat:** State-level Handloom Exhibition and Sale 'Hathkargha Mela,' JSS Mysore Urban Haat, Hebbal Industrial Area, Ring Road, Mysuru, **up to 9 pm.**
- **Sahara Arts and Crafts:** Shopping Festival, Scouts & Guides Ground, **up to 9.30 pm.**
- **Neelaganga Mahila Balaga, Kuvempunagar, Mysuru:** Basava Jayanti, Akkamahadevi Jayanti and Renuka Jayanti celebrations, Sri Mallikarjuna Swamiji of Sri Siddarahalli Paramartha Gavimutt, Sosale, graces the occasion, writer and Kannada Professor of K.R. Nagar Government First Grade College Prof. Mysore Krishnamurthy chief guest, Neelaganga Mahila Balaga President Geetha Rajashekar presides, JSS Law College, Kuvempunagar, **4 pm.**
- **Sri Chamundeshwari & Sri Karumariyamma Temple Trust, Vidyaranyapuram:** 95th Special Karaga Mahotsava, folk songs by Shubha Raghavendra and troupe of Swara Sagara Music Foundation, Temple premises, **7 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (AUGUST 5)

- **Suttur Mutt, Mysuru Branch:** Shravana Masa Pujanushtana and Discourse Series, Special puja, **Morning;** Mass prayer, **6 pm to 6.30 pm;** Discourse on 'Shivatatva Chintamani' (written by Lakkanna Dandesha) by Dr. B.V. Vasanthkumar, Vaachana by Vid. K. Ramachandra, Suttur Mutt, foot of Chamundi Hill, **6.30 pm to 7.30 pm.**
- **Sahara Arts and Crafts:** Shopping Festival, Scouts & Guides Ground, **10.30 am to 9.30 pm.**
- **JSS Mysore Urban Haat:** State-level Handloom Exhibition and Sale 'Hathkargha Mela,' JSS Mysore Urban Haat, Hebbal Industrial Area, Ring Road, Mysuru, **10 am to 9 pm.**
- **Sri Chamundeshwari & Sri Karumariyamma Temple Trust, Vidyaranyapuram:** 95th Special Karaga Mahotsava, devotional songs by Kalaimamani Veeramani Raju and Abhishek Raju of Tamil Nadu, Temple premises, **7 pm.**

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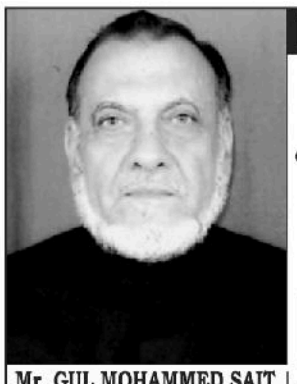
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